

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re:

Andre JOUANNEAU

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09/155,241

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For:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING AND USING PLASMA

PETITION AND FEE FOR THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

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Applicant hereby petitions for a three month extension of time to respond to the Office Action bearing a mail date of February 24, 2003, thus extending the period for response to August 25, 2003 (the first business day following Sunday, August 24, 2003).

Applicant hereby claims small entity status and encloses Check No. 11217 in the payment of the petition fee as a **small entity** and in payment of the Request for Continued Examination which accompanies this submission.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees are required, beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims or the additional of independent claims in excess of three) is hereby

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authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0548 and the undersigned is requested to be notified of any such charges.

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